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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR \$1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 10/537 329

Filing Date: December 2, 2005

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Title: TREATING SOLUTION FOR SURFACE TREATMENT OF METAL AND

A METHOD FOR SURFACE TREATMENT

Inventors:

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Group: 1793

Examiner: Zheng

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- 1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114
  - a. [X] An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on February 17, 2009 was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - b. [X] Enclosed is/are:

    - ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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- iv. [X] Acknowledgment Post Card
- v. [X] Letter to Examiner.
- 2. Miscellaneous
  - a. [] Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.
  - b. []
- 3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed).
  - a. [X] The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

	No.	No.	(X)	RATE	()	
For	Filed	Extra	LG Entity		SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee			\$810.00		\$405.00	\$810.00
Total Claims	(16 - 2)	20 = 0)	x \$ 52.00		x \$ 26.00	
Indep. Claims	(1-	3 = 0)	x 220.00		x \$110.00	
[ ] Multiple D	ep. Clair	n	+ \$390.00		+ \$195.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 810.00

- d. [X] A check for \$1,790.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- f. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR \$1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382.

The undersigned is: [X] an attorney of record

[] acting under 37 CFR §1.34.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Encl: Listed above

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